TOWN OF HERNDON

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OCTOBER YARD OF THE MONTH AWARD PRESENTED

Herndon, VA (October 9, 2007) — The Herndon Town Council recognized Farhan Zubair of 1011 Jeff Ryan Drive as the recipient of the Town's October "Yard of the Month" award.

"His yard is always beautiful – a wonderful mix of roses and flowering plants," said Paul and Marjorie Battaglia, who nominated Zubair for the award. The judges agreed, giving the yard high marks for its impatiens, petunias, azaleas, marigolds, canna lilly, flowering cherry tree, Japanese Maple – and roses in abundance.

The judging panel for the Town's "Yard of the Month" competition is comprised of citizen members of the Cultivating Community Initiative, a program designed to encourage neighborhood beautification and community spirit. Additionally, the October "Yard of the Month" panel included a first-time judge – Mayor Steve DeBenedittis.

As the "Yard of the Month" award winner, Zubair receives a \$100 gift certificate from Meadows Farms Nurseries, a sponsor of the competition. He also receives a framed certificate signed by Mayor DeBenedittis and signage to post in his yard for a month.

The Town of Herndon was incorporated by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia on January 14, 1879. Located in western Fairfax County, Herndon is the 3rd largest

town in the Commonwealth and is home to more than 23,000 citizens. Businesses located within the Town of Herndon, which range from high tech enterprises to entrepreneurially-owned establishments, employ approximately 23,500 people. In 2006, Herndon was named one of the "best affordable suburbs" in the nation by *Business Week* Magazine.

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